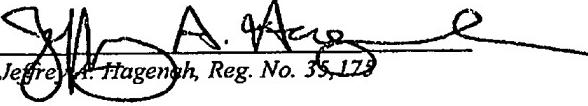


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I. **INTRODUCTORY REMARKS**

The reply is being submitted in response to the Office Action mailed on September 23, 2003, for the above-identified patent applications. The Office Action set a three-month period for response and therefore, this reply is due on or before December 23, 2003.

In response to the Office Action, entry of the following amendments is respectfully requested.